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SUBJ: IPAC: AILY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY 27-85, (U)

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(U) THE SECURE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR IPAC ANALYSTS IS 6223, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

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(U) THIS SUMMARY CONTAINS SIX ITEMS:

(1) CHINA/PAKISTAN

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(1) (U) CHINA: ANTARCTIC DEVELOPMENTS.

(U) THE CHINESE CPIN PRESS HAS REPORTED THAT THE XYB-10-CLASS OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH SHIP (AGOR) DEPARTED KING GEORGE ISLAND EARLY ON 05 FEB TO COMMENCE THE SECOND PHASE OF SURVEYS IN ANTARCTIC WATERS. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, THE CHINESE HAVE DECIDED TO REVISE THEIR SURVEY PLANS AND OPERATE IN AN AREA TO THE SOUTHWEST OF THE SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. THE REPORT ALSO MENTIONED THAT THE CREW WILL SET UP 24 OBSERVATION POSTS IN A 10-DAY PERIOD.

(U) IPAC COMMENT: THE DEPARTURE OF THE AGOR FROM KING GEORGE ISLAND WAS EXPECTED. ORIGINAL PLANS, WHICH CALLED FOR A 32-DAY OPERATIONAL PERIOD, WERE CHANGED WHEN A STORM IN THE BELLINGHAUSEN SEA FORCED THE SHIP TO RETURN TO BASE FOR REPAIRS. THE CHINESE CLAIM ALL DAMAGE RESULTING FROM THE STORM HAS BEEN REPAIRED. THE AGOR PROBABLY WILL RETURN TO BASE ON OR AFTER 15 FEB TO ALLOW THE CREW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BASE'S OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY, SCHEDULED FOR 20 FEB.

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(2) (C) CHINA/PAKISTAN:

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[C] IPAC COMMENT:

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THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PAKISTANI CONNECTION IS TRUE, IT COULD
CAUSE DELAY TO EXPECTED U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE THIS YEAR ON THE
CONSEQUENCES OF THE AGREEMENT, AND COULD HAVE POTENTIALLY ADVERSE
CONSEQUENCES FOR SINO-U.S. TIES.

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